

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State businesses which admirably promote community betterment through wide-ranging practices in local towns and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Feldewerth-Thebeau, Incorporated, which does business as The Flower Petaler in the City of Saint Charles, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction for providing its customers a wide array of silk floral arrangements, artwork, gifts, lotions, fused glass objects, stationery, and other sensory treats; and

Whereas, The Flower Petaler will enhance its already impressive record of accomplishments when it receives an Employers of the Year Award for 2003 from Saint Charles Economic Development; and

Whereas, to be presented by Mayor Patti York on May 19, 2004, Employers of the Year Awards recognize licensed businesses in the City of Saint Charles which are considered top performers in the categories of manufacturer/industrial, retailer, or service by a panel of impartial judges; and

Whereas, headed by President Thomas Feldewerth, The Flower Petaler now employs twenty-five workers, after having been in business for twenty-eight years; and

Whereas, The Flower Petaler offers its employees a comprehensive benefits package and a strong recognition program made up of cash bonuses, store gift certificates, and complimentary lunches and dinners; and

Whereas, The Flower Petaler is committed to improving the Saint Charles community through donations of time and resources to such worthwhile organizations as Crisis Nursery, Youth in Need, Humane Society, Habitat for Humanity, and many other local churches, organizations, and charities; and

Whereas, The Flower Petaler began retail operations in a single room in 1976, since which time it has expanded to seventeen rooms and has grown to include a third store, The Holiday House, that opened in 1992:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of The Flower Petaler for a 2003 Employers of the Year Award from City of Saint Charles Economic Development and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for The Flower Petaler.

Offered by _____
Representative Carl Bearden
District No. 16

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker